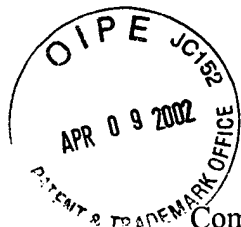


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For: **Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated with  
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Inventors: Nordine CHEIKH *et al.*  
Our Ref. No.: 16517.258

Sir:

It is Applicants' belief that copies of the executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application documents, as originally filed with this application on November 16, 2001, were inadvertently submitted in incomplete form. Therefore, Applicants enclose replacement copies (16 pages) of the four (4) Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney documents.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency and/or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-1824, referencing matter number 16517.258. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

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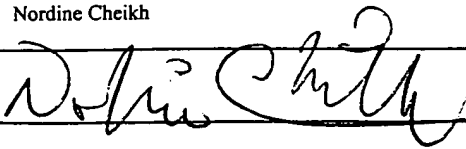
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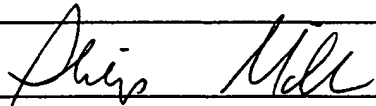
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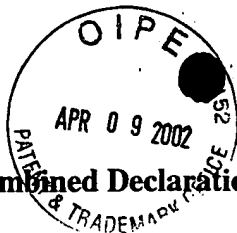
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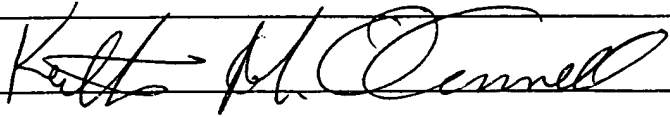
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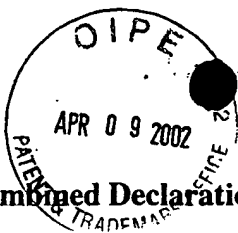
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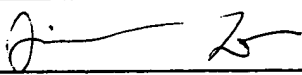
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